

# Application and Reasoning

## Step 1: Suffixes for Comparative Adjectives

### National Curriculum Objectives:

English Year 2: (2G6.3) [Use of the suffixes -er, -est in adjectives](#)

Terminology for pupils:

- (2G6.3) [suffix](#)

### Differentiation:

Questions 1, 4 and 7 (Reasoning)

**Developing** Explain whether the -er suffix has been added correctly where no change to the root word is required.

**Expected** Explain whether the -er suffix has been added correctly where changes to the spelling of root words are required.

**Greater Depth** Explain whether the -er suffix has been added correctly where common exceptions are used.

Questions 2, 5 and 8 (Application)

**Developing** Spot the mistakes with the -er suffixes where no change to the root word is required.

**Expected** Spot the mistakes with the -er suffixes where changes to the spelling of root words are required.

**Greater Depth** Spot the mistakes with the -er suffixes where changes to the spelling of root words are required and common exceptions are used.

Questions 3, 6 and 9 (Application)

**Developing** Choose an adjective from the word bank and add the -er suffix correctly. Then use the comparative adjective in a sentence where no change to the root word is required.

**Expected** Choose an adjective from the word bank and add the -er suffix correctly. Then use the comparative adjective in a sentence where changes to the spelling of root words are required.

**Greater Depth** Choose an adjective from the word bank and add the -er suffix correctly. Then use the comparative adjective in a sentence where changes to the spelling of root words are required and common exceptions are used.

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1a. Jem thinks he has added -er correctly. Do you agree?

green + -er = greener

Explain your reasoning.



R

1b. Amar thinks she has added -er correctly. Do you agree?

dull + -er = duller

Explain your reasoning.



R

2a. Spot and correct the mistakes in the text below.

I now live nearrer to my nana. She is old than my grandad.



A

2b. Spot and correct the mistakes in the text below.

Jim’s car is new than Raj’s. It is also fastr.



A

3a. Choose an adjective from the word bank and add the suffix -er.

weak

smart

low

Now use it in a sentence.



A

3b. Choose an adjective from the word bank and add the suffix -er.

smooth

sharp

tight

Now use it in a sentence.



A

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4a. Sam thinks he has added -er correctly. Do you agree?

sad + -er = sader

Explain your reasoning.



R

4b. Safa thinks she has added -er correctly. Do you agree?

lazy + -er = lazier

Explain your reasoning.



R

5a. Spot and correct the mistakes in the text below.

The sun was beautiful. It was shinier than a diamond and felt hotter than an oven. Today was warmmer than yesterday.



A

5b. Spot and correct the mistakes in the text below.

Things were getting badder. Tom had lost his job and was poorer than ever. He needed to be bravier than he had been before.



A

6a. Choose an adjective from the word bank and add the suffix -er.

fancy

thin

late

Now use it in a sentence.



A

6b. Choose an adjective from the word bank and add the suffix -er.

rude

curly

mad

Now use it in a sentence.



A


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7a. Ishan thinks he has added -er correctly. Do you agree?

far + -er = farer

Explain your reasoning.




R

7b. Haley thinks she has added -er correctly. Do you agree?

many + -er = manier


Explain your reasoning.



R

8a. Spot and correct the mistakes in the text below.


The cottage was littler than a year old. It had a tiny kitchen and an even tinier bedroom. The owners were a jolly old lady and an even jollyier old man, who was almost taler than the house itself!



A

8b. Spot and correct the mistakes in the text below.

The North is often colder, weter and winder than the South. The East is dryer but mistyer with worser storms. Generally, the further south you go, the gooder the weather gets.



A


9a. Choose an adjective from the word bank and add the suffix -er.

scary

good

large

Now use it in a sentence.



A


9b. Choose an adjective from the word bank and add the suffix -er.

strange

bad

grim

Now use it in a sentence.



A

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### Developing

- 1a. Yes because green + er = greener. No changes need to be made to the root word.
- 2a. Children should correct nearer and older.
- 3a. Accept answers which use the comparative adjective correctly in a sentence (weaker, smarter or lower).

### Expected

- 4a. No because another 'd' should be added to make 'sadder'.
- 5a. Children should correct shinier, hotter and warmer.
- 6a. Accept answers which use the comparative adjective correctly in a sentence (fancier, thinner or later).

### Greater Depth

- 7a. No because the comparative of 'far' is 'further' or 'farther'.
- 8a. Children should correct less, tinier, jollier and taller.
- 9a. Accept answers which use the comparative adjective correctly in a sentence (scarier, better or larger).

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### Developing

- 1b. No because dull + er = duller. No changes need to be made to the root word.
- 2b. Children should correct newer and faster.
- 3b. Accept answers which use the comparative adjective correctly in a sentence (smoother, sharper or tighter).

### Expected

- 4b. Yes because 'y' changes to 'i' before the ending is added.
- 5b. Children should correct worse, poorer and braver.
- 6b. Accept answers which use the comparative adjective correctly in a sentence (ruder, curlier or madder).

### Greater Depth

- 7b. No because the comparative of 'many' is 'more'.
- 8b. Children should correct colder, wetter, windier, drier, mistier, worse and better.
- 9b. Accept answers which use the comparative adjective correctly in a sentence (stranger, worse or grimmer). Ensure 'stranger' is used a comparative adjective rather than a noun.